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'EXTREMELY BRAZEN'

Man killed in shooting on Vancouver's west side

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'Quick wins' scandal leads to criminal charge

LIBERAL STAFFER

Brian Bonney facing breach of trust for ethnic outreach plan

Matt Kieltyka
Metro | Vancouver

A criminal charge has been approved against a former high-level British Columbia government staffer in connection with the 2013 "quick wins" scandal.

Special prosecutor David Butcher has approved one charge of breach of trust against Brian Bonney, the Criminal Justice Branch announced Tuesday.

Bonney was the provincial government's communications director for multiculturalism when NDP MLA Adrian Dix filed a complaint to RCMP alleging taxpayer-funded government employees were involved in partisan political work to boost the B.C. Liberals' chances ahead of the 2013 provincial election.

A draft of Multicultural Strategic Outreach Plan created out of Premier Christy Clark's office outlined "quick wins" the Liberals could use to win back ethnic votes (such as orchestrating a government apology for historical wrong-doing in turning away refugees from India on the Komagata Maru in 1914).

During a heated question period in the B.C. legislature on Tuesday, Attorney General Suzanne Anton repeatedly said government would not comment on Bonney's charge.

"Of course, the matter is before the courts. So we cannot discuss it and I will not be discussing the charge itself," she said.

Clark was out of the province and not available to answer questions.

Opposition New Democratic Party Leader John Horgan told media outside the provincial courthouse in Vancouver that he expects more to come out of the scandal and asked why the process has taken so long.

"A three-year investigation involving the RCMP and a special prosecutor with just one charge strikes me that there was a difficult road for Mr. Butcher to get to this point," said Horgan.

Horgan said the NDP is getting legal advice on whether it can release some of the details in the case currently under a publication ban.

The statement from the Criminal Justice Branch acknowledges it has taken "considerable time" for Butcher to complete his review.

It says the reasons for the lengthy process include "the breadth of the police investigation and the complexity of the related legal and evidence-gathering issues."

Bonney's next court appearance is scheduled for June 23 in Vancouver provincial court.

He has also served as the director of operations for the BC Liberal Party from 2002 to 2006 and the director of provincial affairs for the Canadian Federation of Independent Business from 2008 to 2011.

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Detectives gather evidence Tuesday at the scene of a shooting that claimed the life of a 23-year-old Vancouver man. The victim was driving a silver Kia SUV that ended up on the sidewalk when he was shot. THANDI FLETCHER/METRO

Man, 23, dies in shooting

CRIME

Police say victim of 'brazen' attack was targeted

Thandi Fletcher
Metro | Vancouver

A quiet residential neighbourhood on Vancouver's west side was rocked late Monday by what police are describing as an "extremely brazen" targeted shooting that claimed the life of a 23-year-old man.

Sgt. Randy Fincham, spokesman for Vancouver police, said the incident happened around 10:30 p.m. when several residents called 911 reporting multiple shots being fired in the area of West 27th Avenue near Cambie Street.

He said police responded quickly and found a silver Kia SUV on the sidewalk. The driver, a 23-year-old Vancouver man, was found inside the vehicle.

Paramedics pronounced him dead at the scene shortly after, he said.

"This is an extremely brazen shooting," Fincham told reporters at the scene Tuesday. "To have something like this happen anywhere in Vancouver is incredibly rare."

While Fincham confirmed that the victim is known to police, he would not elaborate on his past interaction with law enforcement except to say that investigators believe the shooting was targeted.

He said it's too early to tell if the victim has any ties to gangs or organized crime.

Detectives are trying to determine why the victim was in the neighbourhood. He said it's unclear if the man lived in the area. It's also unknown if the shooter was on foot or in another vehicle, he said.

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Last-ditch push for right-to-die

LEGISLATION

Ladner resident says Bill C-14 'falls short'

David P. Ball
For Metro | Vancouver

Both sides of the doctor-assisted suicide debate are ramping up their last-ditch efforts to persuade MPs expected to vote on right-to-die legislation in Ottawa this week.

The federal Liberals are under fire from all sides over Bill C-14, which would legalize medically assisted suicide for consenting adults suffering from "intolerable" illness, but only those who face "reasonably foreseeable" death.

Few advocates appear happy with the bill. But Liberal Justice minister Jody Wilson-Raybould defended her legislation as a cautious first step that balances a "challenging issue for all Canadians."

Ladner resident Katherine Hammond's 84-year-old mother Margot Bentley has had Alzheimer's for 18 years, the last five in a vegetative state in an Abbotsford nursing home, despite documenting her advance wish to die in her 1991 living will.

Hammond said the Liberals' refusal to include advance requests, and those not facing "reasonably foreseeable" natural death, in their bill "really shocked and incredibly disappointed" her.

"It absolutely falls short," she told Metro. "My mom has been forced to live way, way, way beyond what she wanted. Our government is not recognizing her rights."

But in an April 22 House of Commons debate, Wilson-Raybould said "more study" is needed on advance consent, because "the risks of error and abuse increase when a person is unable to confirm previously stated wishes."

Disability rights groups are also opposing the bill. Michael Bach, executive vice-president of the Canadian Association for Community Living, warned it doesn't include enough safeguards for people with mental health and intellectual disabilities.

> **My mom has been forced to live way, way, way beyond what she wanted.**
> Katherine Hammond

"People will be vulnerable to being induced to die under this system," he told Metro. "We need to be doing everything we can to address people's suffering, but to terminate people's lives for mental health conditions is profoundly problematic."

The Justice minister and Vancouver-Granville MP said her bill addresses such fears, hence its limited scope to clearly consenting adults facing foreseeable death.

"Nor should it suggest that dying is an appropriate response to a life with disability," she told parliamentarians.

But by excluding many non-terminally ill patients, the bill violates their Supreme Court-recognized rights, countered Josh Paterson, executive director of the B.C. Civil Liberties Association, which led the Supreme Court challenge that prompted the legislation.

"This bill infantilizes a whole class of patients," he told Metro. "It treats them like children: 'We don't think you should be able to make a decision for yourself.'"

Margot Bentley, left, poses for a photo in 1996 before she was diagnosed with Alzheimer's, beside her daughter Katherine Hammond. COURTESY OF KATHERINE HAMMOND

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METRO EXPLAINS

What to know about the transgender bill

Elisha Dacey
Metro | Winnipeg

The Liberal Government introduced legislation Tuesday that will protect the rights of transgender people.

WHAT IS IN THE BILL?

The legislation includes provisions to make it illegal to discriminate against someone in the workplace simply because someone identifies as a different gender, and would see the Criminal Code updated to extend hate speech laws to protect transgender people.

WHAT DOES IT MEAN FOR TRANS PEOPLE?

This means if someone is targeted in a crime because of their gender identity or gender expression, judges (whether it's a human rights complaint or a criminal trial) would have to consider that aspect of the crime as an aggravating factor.

HOW WILL IT BE ENFORCED?

Similar to current enforcement around any hate speech or human rights violation law. It would simply mean gender identity and expression would also be protected under the law.

WHAT CAN BE IMPROVED?

Several advocates say this is an important first step but it's impossible at this point to know how effective it will be.

ANYTHING ELSE?

The law was introduced on an important day – the International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia.

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Flames and smoke rising off Highway 63 outside Fort McMurray on May 7. AFP/GETTY IMAGES

Evacuation frustrates workers

ALBERTA

Wildfires near Fort McMurray grew to 355,000 hectares

Helen Pike and Jeremy Simes
Metro | Calgary

Fort McMurray-area fires have stopped oil and gas companies in their tracks as 8,000 workers, some flown in the same day, were forced from camps with the imminent threat of danger.

Matt Breen has been away from his two daughters since February working in Fort McMurray when he was evacuated. But it wasn't long before his company called him back from New Brunswick, asking if he wanted to fly up for a few more weeks and finish the job.

"I didn't really do any research to see what was going on with the fire, I just assumed it was done, I didn't think it was that bad," Breen said. When he landed at Firebag airport he could smell and feel the smoke in the air, but didn't think much of it.

Breen said he was about to go get something to eat Monday night when the fire alarm went off and announcements came over loud speakers to let workers know buses were on their way and the fire was headed towards the camp.

Bryan Wheller was evacuated on Monday just up the road from the flames at Noralta Lodge.

He flew out to the Noralta lodge and witnessed the chaos firsthand as camps short on buses and busy with staff scrambled to evacuate for the second time.

Wheller said there weren't enough buses to take all the evacuees, so he waited near the Noralta camp for about six hours.

"They wouldn't tell us what was going on," he said. "I just think it's ridiculous.

On Tuesday, government officials assured evacuees that planes and buses will be made available to fly or drive them out.

Premier Rachel Notley told reporters the fire grew to 355,000 hectares overnight from 285,000 hectares, adding Noralta and Birch Creek lodges are currently at risk as firefighters focus on saving those facilities.

The majority of evacuees were ordered to go north, where many of them wound up two weeks ago when they fled their homes.

Wheller said the push to flee north made no sense.

"They didn't really have an evacuation plan," he said. "If they didn't know, why not bus them down south where there are more services?"

Flames are expected to head eastward to a Suncor facility north of Fort McMurray, though officials say the Suncor site is protected by the Athabasca River.

But the blaze will also encroach on Highway 63, trapping evacuees up north until it's safe to drive south.

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ROSEMARY WESTWOOD ON JUSTIN'S 'UNOFFICIAL' SPOUSE

SOPHIE'S CHOICES ARE CLEAR

The media backlash against Sophie Gregoire Trudeau's request for a larger staff shows that the prime minister's wife has two options: **Be inconsequential or face the consequences.**

I feel for officially useless Sophie Gregoire Trudeau. She must have known there would be more days like this.

In the sequel to Nannygate, she told a Le Soleil reporter that she needs more help to respond to charities and non-profits, and generally "serve the public." That was the spark that lit the fire — though it required a lot of hot air to really get the blaze going.

"We don't need a First Lady," said the Sun, and, for once, it's right. Good thing we don't have one. If we did, Gregoire Trudeau might be asking for Michelle Obama's 24-strong staff.

Others accused her of benefiting from another "entitled" government position, as if a spousal role to the prime minister were not also a government role. To say Canada has a "no official spouse" policy is tantamount to calling a tomato a fruit: objectively true, practically useless.

Of course spouses have political roles. We should be grateful they're not set in stone, that our prime ministers' wives have been able to choose how much free labour to undertake on behalf of Canadians while their husbands run the nation.

What seems to irk the irked is that Gregoire Trudeau is failing to count her blessings.

"And then here came Grégoire Trudeau — with two nannies at home, a cook, housekeepers and no official duties — lamenting about how she is overburdened," wrote Robyn Urback in the National Post. Well, those are not Sophie's staff and hers only. To say so is to suggest that, by virtue of being a woman, Sophie would naturally be in charge of all the cooking, cleaning and child rearing.

In truth, Sophie has a single assistant, and even one or two more wouldn't make her anomalous in our history. It might be more than Laureen Harper had (a fact I haven't been able to confirm but seems assumed by every conservative columnist and eager-to-pounce NDP critic) but it would match Mila Mulroney's three staff, never mind her office on Parliament Hill.

Some pundits seem to want Sophie Gregoire Trudeau to be a mom and homemaker only. ADRIAN WYLD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

It's also overreaching — and patronizing — for pundits to suggest the people most offended by Sophie's request for help are other working mothers, to imagine them a unified group with unified anger. Some might be mad, some supportive, and none should be used as political pawns.

But the real cause of all this backlash — surprise, surprise — is Sophie's husband. He once said that his family was rich and in need of less tax relief than less wealthy Canadians. That, to conservatives' ears, meant he was willing to pay his own way, and his wife's, while in government. Thus, taxpayers shouldn't have to cover his family's lifestyle. Or, apparently, his wife's public-service aims.

The suggestion is that our leaders' "entitlements" should be determined by how rich they are. Super rich? Pay for your own staff! Not-so-super rich? Oh, all right — we'll cover you. Oddly, no one has yet come forward with the appropriate net worth/staffing ratio.

What's clear is that Sophie won't soon escape from her critics. So let's end with some advice for you, Sophie, on how to please everyone. Shouldn't be too hard.

1. You can use your role to promote Canadian causes that everyone can agree are good (your choice of women's health and self-esteem is suitable), but do not expect any compensation or assistance. Truthfully, if you decide to be a stay-at-home mum and suspend any professional independence, that would be easier for all involved. Oh, and while you should always be with your kids, don't be photographed with them too much lest it be seen as political posturing.

2. Make a good aesthetic impression on our behalf at all times, but note that your expensive clothing in Vogue upset people. Then again, H&M and Joe Fresh aren't the most ethical. And naked is also not an option. Perhaps stay home?

3. Since you come off as elitist, do something common, like spontaneously bursting into song. Oh, wait….

4. Remember that you have no official role, and therefore no obligation to the Canadian public, except to follow these rules, and all the other unwritten ones.

5. Finally, know that your mere existence as a modern, professional woman with good looks, effervescence and style is too flashy for Canada and unsettling for the patriarchy. In the end, it might be better to resign from your non-existent role. In fact, better you never even tried.

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Romney was theoretically running for president. In reality, he was spending most of his summer trying to convince rich people to give him money.

"It is something to see a candidate go and spend seven, eight, nine hours a day raising money, get back on a plane, all the reporters write that you're not really campaigning, and then you write cheques — and at least 50 per cent of what you've raised goes to the parent organizations of the press in the back of the plane," the campaign's chief strategist, Stuart Stevens, said this week.

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The new record in campaign spending set in 2012.

The 2012 campaign set a record for U.S. election spending: $7 billion. Four years later, there has never before been so much candidate talk about the evils of money in politics — and this campaign will almost certainly set another record.

Some of the cash will go to old-fashioned staples like yard signs and brochures and drab offices and the organizers to staff them. Some will go to newfangled necessities like social media monitoring and voter microtargeting. But by far the biggest chunk will go to TV ads.

Even though those ads almost always have a small impact on the outcome. At all levels, campaigns and their allies keep raising more money and then spending it on TV. They do it for the same reason people climb Mount Everest, said Tom Korologos, a Bush donor and former ambassador to Belgium.

"Because it's there," he said.

The money is there in large part because of Citizens United — the 2010 Supreme Court decision that lets corporations give unlimited sums to Super PACs, quasi-independent spending groups that are free to run ads promoting particular candidates.

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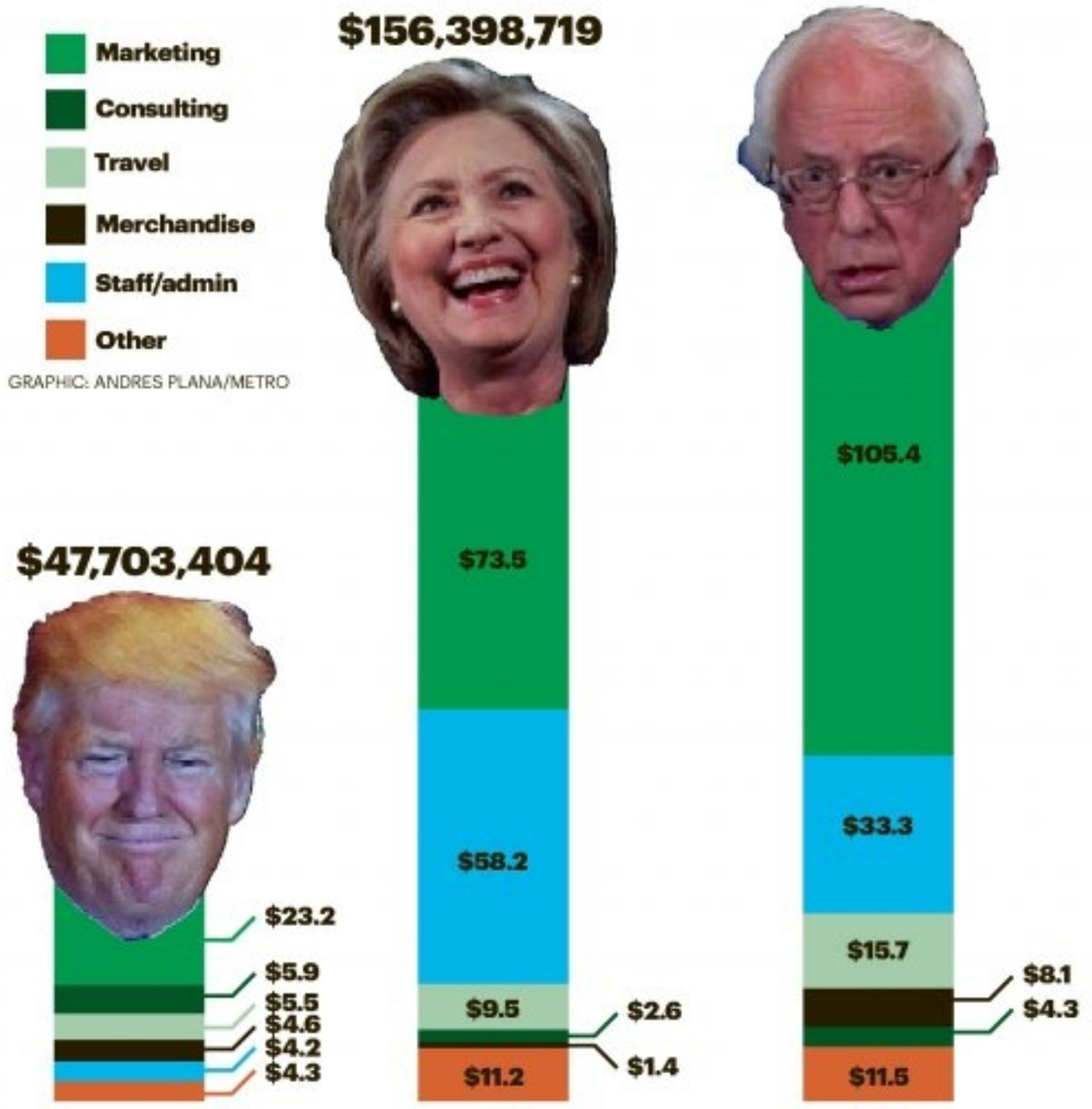

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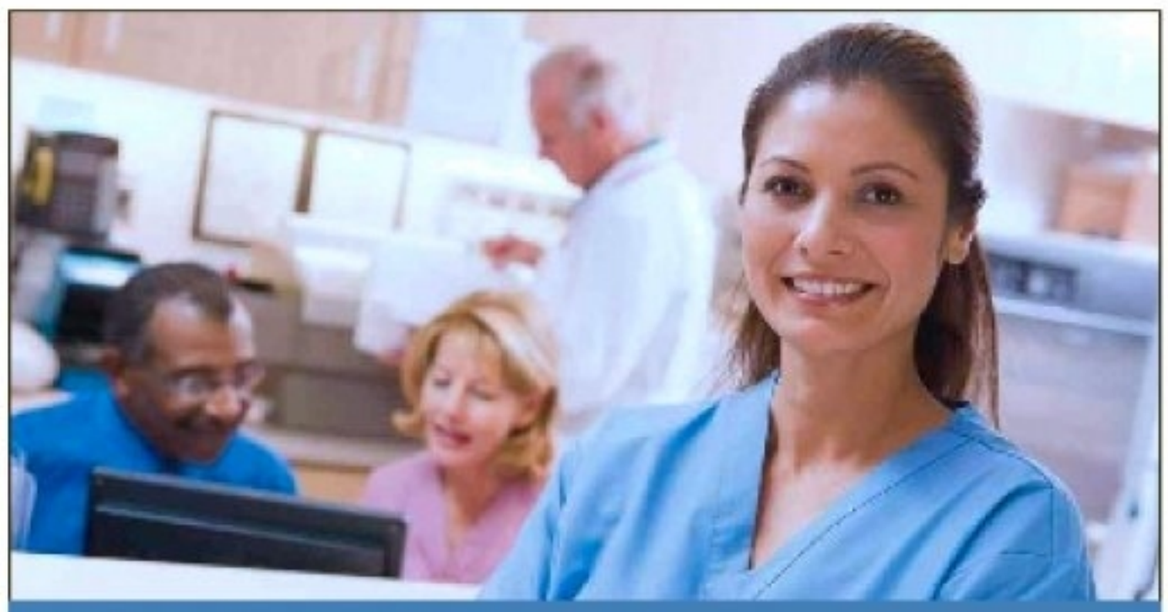

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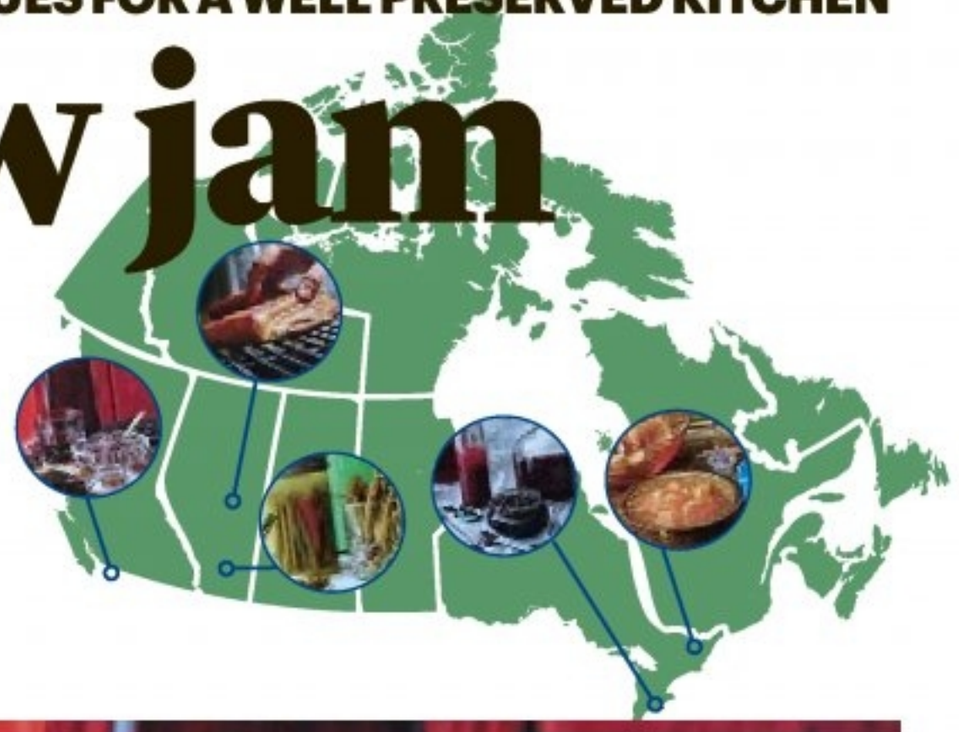

Preserving is not just about jelly and pickles — Canadians Joel MacCharles and Dana Harrison give quick, easy and cheap meal ideas made from delicious local ingredients.

Cherry-infused brandy

I love dehydrated cherries. The idea of infusing them with extra flavor came after I saw some incredibly expensive espresso powder. This recipe adds the natural sweetness of cherries and the butter-like quality of bourbon for even more decadence.

Yield: 1/4 – 1/2 cup
Effort: 20 Minutes
Elapsed: 1 day
Eat: Within 2 years

Ingredients:

- 1 quart (4 cups) cherries, pitted
- ½ cup water
- 2 Tbsp espresso beans, ground
- 2 Tbsp brandy, bourbon, or dark rum

You will need:

- Cherry pitter
- Parchment paper or Silpat mat
- Spice grinder or high-speed blender
- Dehydrator
- Kitchen scale

Day 1: Macerate the cherries for the brandy

1. Weigh the cherries. Add 50% of this weight in sugar. Place in a large bowl, cover tightly and refrigerate for 24 hours, stirring a few times.

Day 2: Macerate the cherries for the brandy

2. Strain the cherries from Day 1, reserving the sugary juice in the fridge. Spread them on a dehydrator tray.

3. Spread the cherries for the powder on a separate tray.

4. Partly dry the cherries in a dehydrator at 135°F for 4 hours.

Finish the cherry brandy

5. Place half of the brandy-destined cherries in a 1-quart Mason jar. Add the reserved cherry-sugar juice from the fridge and top with brandy. Cover tightly and store in a dark and cool place. Wait at least 1 month before tasting.

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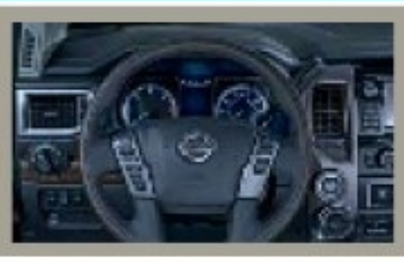
Power: 390 hp and 597 kg/m of torque
Transmission: Seven-speed automatic.
Price: $45,900 to start.



LOVE IT

- Strong low-end pull
- Overall comfort
- Price point

LEAVE IT

- No larger fuel tank options

REVIEW

Heavy truck offers combo of comfort, power

Nissan knows it can't rely strictly on a brand name to sell its truck, because although the Cummins-powered Titan XD has garnered plenty of attention since it was launched, it will only be a small part of the brand's overall truck sales pie.

The brand wants us to think of the Titan as a heavy half-ton that offers the capability of an HD pickup. Base curb weight on the gas-powered truck is still a hefty 2,724 kilograms for the S model, though that is 272 kg lighter than the diesel-version.

The maximum payload on the gas-powered version comes in at 1177 kg with rear-wheel drive.

It's safe to say that this rig won't be easy on the wallet when it comes to fuel bills. Our day of driving had the internal readout ranging from 21.7 to 18.8 litres per 100 km, about what you'd expect from such a heavy truck.

It would also be nice to see a larger fuel tank option.

The lush rolling hills of Tennessee served as our test bed for this new powertrain, a 5.6-litre V8 with 390 horsepower and a seven-speed automatic transmission.

Though the displacement is the same as the V8 found in the previous Titan, this engine is heavily revised, with the biggest changes being the addition of direct injection and Nissan's proprietary VVEL (Variable Valve Event & Lift) technology. These changes help in low-end power delivery and overall refinement in the engine.

Though it is a heavy truck, the Titan XD isn't a slouch with this V8 under the hood, certainly offering more get-up-and-go than the big diesel. Also serving the power up well is the seven-speed transmission.

Loafing about the tight Tennessee roads through farm country, the Titan felt heavy, pushing when hustled through corners, but the most prevalent sensation is one of comfort. The cabin is nicely muted from the road and the heavy set nature of the truck allows it to feel absolutely planted to the ground in all situations, especially when cruising in a straight line at highway speeds.

Steering feel is on the light side for the Titan, while the brakes feel very strong, especially with no weight pushing from the rear end of the truck.

Nothing can upset the large, calm nature of this truck.

Nissan is claiming that the Titan XD is just as comfortable as modern half-tons, and it's not a lie.

With the Titan XD, Nissan has a fine product that is capable of playing on the big stage with best players in the game.

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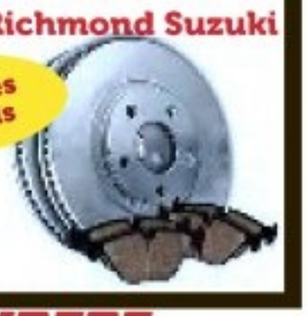

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Alfa Romeo joins the force

Instead of being used for high-speed chases to catch bad guys, the Alfa Romeo Giulia will actually serve as a vehicle for emergency medical use, transporting organs and blood. And this isn't just your plain Jane, entry-level Giulia, the Italian police force is taking advantage of the Quadrifoglio's Ferrari-sourced twin-turbo V6 engine packing 505 horsepower to help save lives. It will also be used to help escort ceremonial cars. Outfitted with your typical police garb, the Alfa Romeo Giulia Quadrifoglio gets radios and lights, a portable defibrillator and LED flashlights in the doors. The automaker doesn't mention any performance upgrades to the car's brakes or engine.

BUGATTI

Savage sounds of the Chiron

The Bugatti Chiron makes news whenever it's seen in public because, besides the fact that it looks like a spaceship, it also sounds absolutely savage. The French hypercar's latest stop on its world tour was the International Vienna Motor Symposium, where all the latest engines debut. The symposium is the perfect place to show off the Chiron, which is powered by an 8.0-liter quad-turbocharged W16 that puts out 1,500 horsepower.

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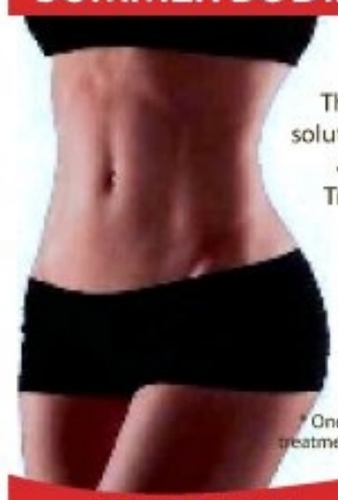

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Canada's winning streak at the world championship ended at 16 games after a 4-0 loss to Finland in its preliminary-round finale Tuesday

Rip-roaring rout

RAPTORS
CLEVELAND LEADS 1-0

LeBron & Co. pull away early in laugher

LeBron James and the Cleveland Cavaliers made sure Toronto's introduction to the Eastern Conference final was not a pleasant one.

James scored 24 points on near perfect shooting, while Kyrie Irving had 27 as the Cavaliers throttled the Raptors 115-84 in Game 1 on Tuesday, Toronto's first conference final appearance in franchise history.

James punished the Raptors on 11-for-13 shooting, the four-time NBA MVP looking for most of the night like a man playing against boys.

DeMar DeRozan had 18 points on a solid night, but the rest of the Raptors could do little against a Cavaliers team that thoroughly embarrassed Toronto. Bismack Biyombo had 12 points, while James Johnson finished with 10.

The Raptors hung in with the home team through the opening quarter, but almost as if they'd been toying with Toronto, the Cavaliers then thrust a foot on the throat of the Raptors and held it there until the final, merciful, buzzer.

Cleveland's 22-point lead in the second quarter became a whopping 28 points by the end of the third, as the Cavs took a 95-67 advantage into the fourth. Raptors coach Dwane Casey waved the virtual white flag with 10 minutes to play, pulling his starters for seldom-used Delon Wright and Jason Thompson.

Game 2 is Thursday in Cleveland, then the series shifts to the Air Canada Centre for Game 3 on Saturday and Game 4 on Monday. THE CANADIAN PRESS

GAME 1 In Cleveland

115	84

Cavaliers forward LeBron James celebrates a dunk against the Raptors' Patrick Patterson on Tuesday night in Cleveland. FRANK GUNN/THE CANADIAN PRESS

NHL PLAYOFFS

Burns buries pair of goals for Sharks

Brent Burns scored San Jose's first two power-play goals of the Western Conference final and Martin Jones stopped 26 shots for his second shutout of the post-season as the Sharks beat the St. Louis Blues 4-0 Tuesday night to even the series at a game apiece.

Tommy Wingels and Dainius Zubrus also scored and Logan Couture had two assists to help the Sharks bounce back from a tight loss in the opener.

Game 3 is Thursday night in San Jose.

Brian Elliott made 20 saves for St. Louis, which is 4-5 at home and 5-2 on the road in the post-season. Elliott wasn't as sharp as he's been throughout the Blues' run to their first conference final since 2001.

Burns' fifth and sixth goals of the post-season both came on one-timers with Troy Brouwer in the penalty box, and were his only shots of the game. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

GAME 2 In St. Louis

4	0
SHARKS	BLUES

MLB IN BRIEF

Rays repeat romp over Jays

Shortstop Brad Miller had three hits, including a triple, and drove in three runs on Tuesday night as the Tampa Bay Rays picked apart the Toronto Blue Jays 12-2.

Tampa Bay's dominant win came one night after it beat Toronto 13-2.

Jose Bautista's two-run home run was the height of Toronto's offence as the Blue Jays lost for the fourth time in a row. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Cruz and Seager power Mariners past Orioles

Nelson Cruz homered and drove in five runs, Kyle Seager hit a three-run drive and the Seattle Mariners cruised past the Baltimore Orioles 10-0 Tuesday night.

Robinson Cano had three hits, two RBIs and scored three runs for the Mariners, who repeatedly circled the bases on a wet, chilly night at Camden Yards. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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RECIPE Salmon Parcels

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Ceri Marsh & Laura Keogh
For Metro Canada

Unwrap a healthy dinner of fish and crisp veggies. Steam some rice if you feel like a bit more heft.

Ready in
Prep time: 10 minutes
Cook time: 15 minutes

Ingredients
- 2 salmon filets
- 1/2 carrot, cut into matchsticks
- 1 red or yellow pepper, cut into matchsticks
- 1 baby bok choy, the white part cut into matchsticks, the green part cut into ribbons
- 1 Tbsp sesame oil
- 1 Tbsp rice vinegar
- 1 tsp low sodium soy sauce
- 1 tsp ginger, minced

Directions

1. Preheat your oven to 400 degrees. Whisk together oil, vinegar, soy sauce and minced ginger and toss with your veggies

2. Cut two square pieces of parchment, each piece about 12" by 18" square then cut the largest heart shape you can within the squares. Fold it in half down the middle and make a crease

3. Working on a baking sheet, place your parchment down and put half of your veggies down on one half of the heart. Then place one piece of fish on top of the veggie bed. Fold the heart closed and fold and pleat the edges until it is sealed. There will be a little bit at the end that you'll have to tuck under. Repeat with your second parchment.

4. Bake for 15 minutes. Remove and place parcels onto a plate and carefully slice open.

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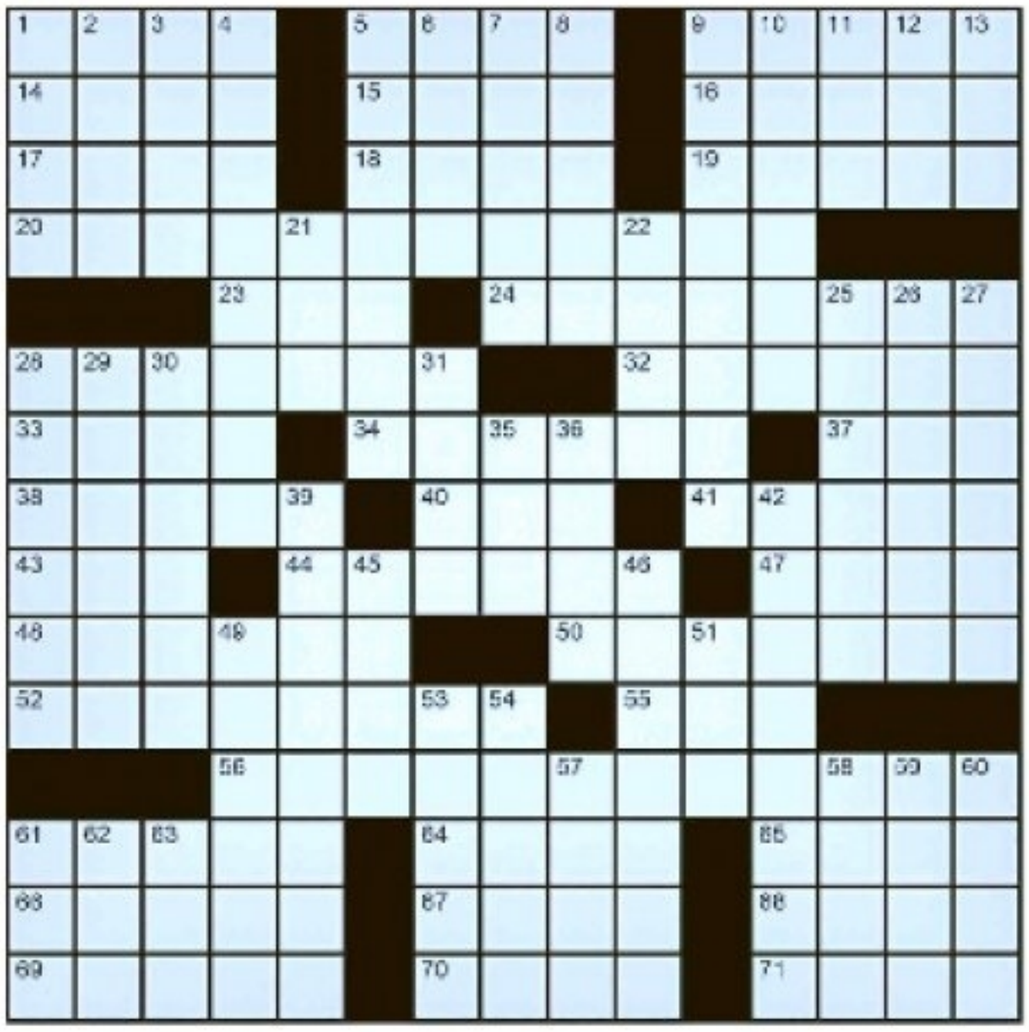

ACROSS
1. Tailoring crease
5. Moves to the jazzy music
9. Vermicelli or penne
14. __-gravity
15. Soup vegetable
16. MC Hammer's "__ Touch This"
17. Suffix with 'Problem'
18. Surprise military attack
19. Watch the big game on one in a sports bar, e.g.
20. Sainte-Helene-de-__, Quebec
23. Pickle jar topper
24. Longing
28. Royal LePage employee
32. Permanent-on-a-person picture
33. Shania Twain album: 'The Woman __'
34. U2's drummer, Larry __ Jr.
37. From __ Z
38. Movie genre
40. "Oh, give __ home where the buffalo roam..."
41. Caffeine nuts
43. "Ich bin __ Berliner." - JFK
44. __-Robbins (Ice cream chain)
47. Loot load
48. Crosses to bear
50. Shreddies and Cheerios
52. Harvey's fare: 2 wds.
55. 'Edmonton' suffix (Denizen of Alberta's capital)
56. Rachel McAdams stars as a TV producer in this 2010 comedy: 2 wds.
61. "__ a Symphony" by The Supremes
64. Ms. Remini
65. Succulent plant
66. Portia's "Ally McBeal" character
67. Stare
68. Bark-made cloth
69. Ms. Kardashian
70. Blue dyestuff
71. Samuel L. Jackson film, "__ Bayou" (1997)

DOWN
1. Swedish auto
2. Intermission, __'acte
3. "It's __!" (3-3 game exclamation)
4. Victor __ (Member of Canadian pop/opera quartet The Tenors)
5. "Yawnsville." reason
6. "That's fine."
7. PCO = __ Council Office
8. The Beatles' "Sexy __"
9. Show who's boss: 2 wds.
10. Highlight
11. Blue
12. "Ka-boom!" causer
13. Four-wheeler, e.g.
21. Young fox
22. Behind
25. Canadian actress Ms. Ricci
26. Less than one hundred percent: 2 wds.
27. Canada __ (Belonging to a Canuck bird)
28. "300: __ an Empire" (2014)
29. Spanish dramatist, Juan del __
30. Grade above B Plus, __
31. Servings in saloons
35. Currency in Albania
36. Secular
39. 'Relief' follows this spelling rule ...but 'Receive' doesn't: letter + word + letter
42. Store sign appreciated by a night owl: 2 wds.
45. Biblical instrument
46. Made a horse sound
49. Manitoba: __ __ Provincial Park
51. __ doll
53. Not set loudly, as a radio: 2 wds.
54. San __, California
57. "The Lion King" (1994) lioness
58. Antarctica's Prince __ Coast
59. Knot-maker's need
60. Fancy 'fors'
61. Pen's liquid
62. Scheming laugh half
63. L ...spelled out

IT'S ALL IN THE STARS Your daily horoscope by Francis Drake

Aries March 21 - April 20
Upsets with spouses, partners and close friends are likely today. Therefore, don't jump the gun. Wait to hear what others have to say before you react.

Taurus April 21 - May 21
Be patient with co-workers today to avoid upsets. Nevertheless, your day will be interrupted by computer crashes, power outages, fire alarms, staff shortages or canceled appointments.

Gemini May 22 - June 21
This is a mildly accident-prone day for your kids, which means if you are a parent, be vigilant. Likewise, if you work with children, make sure they are free from hazardous situations.

Cancer June 22 - July 23
Small appliances might break down today, or minor breakages could occur — something will interrupt your home routine. Someone unexpected might knock on your door.

Leo July 24 - Aug. 23
This is a mildly accident-prone day for your sign, so pay attention to everything you say and do. Think before you act. Guard against knee-jerk reactions.

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
You might find money today, or you might lose money. This is because something having to do with your financial situation is unpredictable. Guard your possessions against loss, theft or breakage.

Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
Today the Moon is in your sign sitting opposite unpredictable Uranus. Therefore, expect disruptions to your day. You might be obsessed with something unusual. (Easy does it.)

Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
You feel restless today. You have the feeling that you're waiting for the other shoe to drop. Don't worry, because many people feel this way today. It is what it is.

Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
A friend or a member of a group might say or do something that surprises you. Alternatively, you might meet a real character today — someone who is bohemian or avant-garde.

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
You feel defiant when dealing with authority figures today. This is why you don't want anyone bossing you around or telling you what to do. (Remember the power of courtesy.)

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
This is a mildly accident-prone day for your sign; therefore, be careful. Expect travel cancellations or changes. Yikes.

Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
You might be caught off guard with a decision regarding inheritances or shared property today. Be prepared for something from out of the blue that could affect how you financially relate to others.

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